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FOR AMBASSADOR L. DEAN BROWN

E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: AEMG

SUBJ: RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

REF: STATE 97854

1. I RAISED PLIGHT OF VIETNAM REFUGEES WITH FONMIN SUWAIDI MAY 8, MAKING POINTS REFTEL. SUWAIDI'S RESPONSE WAS POSITIVE. HE SAID HE RECOGNIZED THIS TO BE HUMANITARIAN PROBLEM OF MAJOR DIMENSIONS AND WE COULD COUNT ON UAEG TO OFFER HELP IN SOME MANNER. I SAID OUR IMMEDIATE PURPOSE WAS TO ASCERTAIN IF OTHER COUNTRIES COULD TAKE SOME OF THESE PEOPLE IN. SUWAIDI SAID HE DID NOT THINK THIS WOULD BE PROBLEM FOR LIMITED NUMBER BUT HE WOULD WISH TO CHECK FIRST WITH SHAIKH ZAYID. FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO WILL BE MAY 11, WHEN ZAYID RETURNS FROM ISLAND ON WHICH HE IS CAMPING. HE SAID HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH ME AFTERWARDS.

2. IN MEANTIME WE WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER DETAILS AS TO HOW PROGRAM WILL WORK, ASSUMING UAEG RESPONSE TO BE POSITIVE. WILL REFUGEES BE POLLED TO SEE HOW MANY WISH TO GO TO CERTAIN COUNTRIES? WOULD GROUP LIKELY TO COME HERE HAVE SKILLS OR BE COMPOSED MAINLY OF UNSKILLED LABOR? WOULD UNHOR HANDLE TRANSFER OF REFUGEES OR WILL IT BE CONFIDENTIAL

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SOME OTHER AGENCY, AND COULD UAEG EXPECT ANY HELP FROM

IT IN TERMS OF RECEIVING REFUGEES AND MEETING RESETTLEMENT PROBLEMS?

3. UAEG FINANCIAL CONSTRIBUTION TO WHATEVER AGENCY DEEMED MOST APPROPRIATE IS ALSO POSSIBILITY. DOES DEPT WISH US TO SUGGEST THIS TO UAEG?

4. FONMIN ALSO ASKED IF WE COULD GIVE HIM LATEST READING ON TOTAL NUMBER OF REFUGEES. WOULD APPRECIATE THIS INFORMATION.
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